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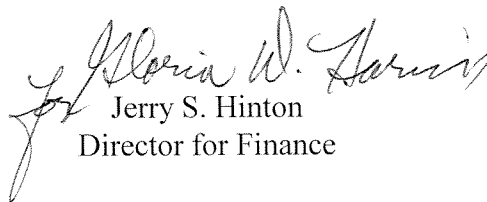ARLINGTON VA 22240-5291

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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, MILITARY PAY OPERATIONS, DEFENSE
FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE (PM/CL)

SUBJECT: Interim Change to the DoDFMR, Volume 7A, Regarding Retroactive Imminent
Danger Pay for the Mediterranean Sea (DFAS Item M-68)

Attached is Interim Change **05-04** to Chapter 10 of the Department of Defense Financial
Management Regulation (DoDFMR), Volume 7A. This change incorporates Imminent Danger
Pay (IDP) designation for the Mediterranean Sea retroactively from March 19, 2003 through
April 11, 2003. It is applicable only to members serving in the designated area within the
designated time period in connection with Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF).

This is a routine change and the result of directed action that does not affect existing
policies. A draft of this change was not provided for comment. Assignment of the interim
change number is your authority to initiate a procedural modification to implement this change.
Use the attached to initiate the formal change to the DoDFMR, Volume 7A.

Gloria W. Harris

FOR Jerry S. Hinton
Director for Finance

Attachment:
As stated

cc: OUSD(C)(ODCFO)(FP)
        ODUSD(MPP)(Comp)
        ODGC(F)
        Service Liaisons
        USCG/NOAA/PHS Liaisons
        DFAS-GAM/DE
        DFAS-PMJE/DE
        DFAS-DDM/CL

RETROACTIVE IMMINENT DANGER PAY FOR MEDITERRANEAN SEA

1.   Insert an additional entry into Figure 10-1 for the area of the **Mediterranean Sea.** The included area is described as "**those portions of the sea area that lie east of 30°E.   Only members assigned to duty in connection with Operation Iraqi Freedom qualify.**" The effective dates are from **Mar 19, 2003** through **Apr 11, 2003**.

2.   The original entry should be numbered as (2) and this entry numbered as (1).

3.   Add the following citations to the bibliography for Figure 10-1:

Mediterranean Sea   **Public Law 108-136, section 620, November 24, 2003**
                               OUSD(P&R) Memo, January 15, 2004

DASD(MPP)Compensation Signed Policy Documents

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (M&RA)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (M&RA)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (MR)
DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING
SERVICE

SUBJECT: Imminent Danger Pay (IDP) and Direct Support Determination for Combat
Zone Tax Relief (CZTR) Benefits for Eastern Mediterranean Sea

Pursuant to section 620 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
2004, I authorize payment of Imminent Danger Pay in accordance with 37 U.S.C. § 310
and regulations issued thereunder for members of the Armed Forces on duty during the
period beginning on March 19, 2003, and ending on April 11, 2003, in the sea area of the
Mediterranean Sea east of 30 degrees east longitude in connection with Operation IRAQI
FREEDOM.

I certify, pursuant to Treasury Regulation § 1.112-1 and Revenue Ruling 70-621,
1970-2 C.B. 17, that members authorized IDP under the preceding paragraph during the
specified period were serving in direct support of military operations in the combat zone
and are eligible for CZTR benefits for that same period.

Charles S. Abell
Principal Deputy

cc:
DUSD (CPP)
JCS, J-1
Commandant (G-HR), U.S. Coast Guard

Thursday, January 15, 2004

danger on the basis of civil insurrection, civil war, terrorism, or wartime conditions.

"(b) CONTINUATION DURING HOSPITALIZATION.—A member covered by subsection (a)(2)(C) who is hospitalized for the treatment of the injury or wound may be paid special pay under this section for not more than three additional months during which the member is so hospitalized.".

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—Such section is further amended—

(1) in subsection (c), as redesignated by subsection (a)(1), by inserting "LIMITATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION.—" before "(1)"; and

(2) in subsection (d), as redesignated by subsection (a)(1), by inserting "DETERMINATIONS OF FACT.—" before "Any".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Subsections (a) and (b) of section 310 of title 37, United States Code, as added by subsection (a)(2), shall take effect as of September 11, 2001.

(d) RELATION TO TEMPORARY INCREASE IN AUTHORIZED AMOUNT OF HOSTILE FIRE AND IMMINENT DANGER SPECIAL PAY.—(1) The amendment made by subsection (a)(2) does not affect the authority to pay an increased amount of hostile fire and imminent danger special pay under section 310 of title 37, United States Code, pursuant to—

(A) the amendment made by subsection (a) of section 1316 of Public Law 108–11 (117 Stat. 570) during the period specified in subsection (c)(1) of such section, as modified by section 113 of Public Law 108–84 (117 Stat. 1044); or

(B) the amendment made by section 619 of this Act during the period specified in such amendment.

(2) Effective as of April 16, 2003, section 1316(c)(2) of Public Law 108–11 (117 Stat. 570) is amended by inserting "the dollar amounts specified in" before "sections".

SEC. 619. TEMPORARY INCREASE IN AUTHORIZED AMOUNT OF HOSTILE FIRE AND IMMINENT DANGER SPECIAL PAY.

Section 310 of title 37, United States Code, as amended by section 618, is further amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(e) TEMPORARY INCREASE IN AUTHORIZED AMOUNT OF SPECIAL PAY.—For the period beginning on October 1, 2003, and ending on December 31, 2004, the rate of pay authorized by subsection (a) shall be increased to $225.".

SEC. 620. RETROACTIVE PAYMENT OF HOSTILE FIRE OR IMMINENT DANGER PAY FOR SERVICE IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN SEA IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

(a) PAYMENT AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of Defense may authorize the payment of hostile fire or imminent danger pay under section 310(a) of title 37, United States Code, to members of the Armed Forces who were assigned to duty, during the period beginning on March 19, 2003, and ending on April 11, 2003, in the area specified in subsection (b) in connection with Operation Iraqi Freedom at any time during that period.

(b) SPECIFIED AREA.—The area referred to in subsection (a) is the Mediterranean Sea east of 30 degrees East Longitude (sea area only).